CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
JANUARY 7, 2020 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL - MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Michael Moats, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Gloria Soto, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF PRESENT:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, and Chief Deputy City Clerk White (for roll call only).

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
There were no requests to speak.

RECESS - CLOSED SESSION
Mayor Patino recessed to a Closed Session at 5:05 p.m. for Conference with Legal Counsel - Liability Claims pursuant to Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.95 of the Government Code. Claimant: Michael Sawyer, Claim No. 19-144617. WCAB Case No. ADJ-12496716. Agency claimed against: City of Santa Maria.

INVOCATION
Pastor Paul Berry of Calvary Chapel gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Soto led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino reconvened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Michael Moats, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Gloria Soto, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Solid Waste Manager Heriberto Cantu, Fire Chief Leonard Champion, Chief of Police Phillip Hansen, City Librarian Mary Housel, Chief Information Officer Jeffrey Marecic, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kevin McCune, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Alex Posada, Recreation Services Manager Dennis Smitherman, Accounting Manager Heather Zacker, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Rhonda White

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: CITY ATTORNEY
City Attorney Watson announced that by unanimous vote of the City Council instruction was given to accept the settlement offer as presented.

1 PROCLAMATIONS

A. Councilmember Soto presented a Proclamation recognizing January 18, 2020, as Women's March Day in the City of Santa Maria. The Proclamation was accepted by Audy Macdonald-Funes and Juls Neel.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Sara Macdonald, representing the League of Women Voters, addressed the City Council.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR
Consent Calendar Items 3A-3D were approved as presented. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Readings waived.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

B. Approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 17, 2019.

Action: Minutes approved as submitted.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

C. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

D. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

4 REGULAR BUSINESS

A. **CREATION OF NEW CHAPTER 6-13 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO EXPLOSIVES AND FIREWORKS.** The City Council considered repealing former Chapter 9-3, Article 5600, and replacing and renumbering as new Chapter 6-13 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code relating to explosives and fireworks. Fire Chief Champion gave the presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

In response to Councilmember Waterfield's request for clarification, Fire Chief Champion responded that the only change to the fireworks ordinance was changing the numbering and placement of the fireworks ordinance in the Public Safety and Welfare chapter of the Municipal Code rather than in the Fire Prevention Code, and that no other changes were being made.

Public Input
Greg Orosco, representing TNT, thanked staff for holding off on the lottery system for now. He indicated that TNT would like to work with staff in crafting wording for a new lottery system for next year.

Paul Berry, representing Calvary Chapel Santa Maria, spoke about support of the sale of safe and sane fireworks. He supports a gradual change to the fireworks sales process for non-profits.

Peggy Tomasello, representing Crucified Life Church, thanked staff for waiting on establishing a lottery system. She asked to consider a three-year lottery and gradual implementation.

Action: Introduce for the first reading, and continue to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, an Ordinance repealing former Chapter 9-3, Article 5600, Explosives and Fireworks, and replacing and renumbering it as new Chapter 6-13 of Title 6 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code concerning the consolidation of provisions for fireworks manufacture, possession, storage, and use of Safe and Sane Fireworks.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield.
Motion carried. Introduced as Ordinance No. 2020-01. 5-0.

B. **2019 LEISURE NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND ACTION PLAN.** The City Council considered a recommendation of the Recreation & Parks Commission to adopt the 2019 Leisure Needs Assessment and Action Plan. Recreation & Parks Director Posada gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Recreation & Parks Chair, Commissioner Laura Henderson, expressed her support of the Leisure Needs Assessment and Action Plan which will help guide decisions of the Recreation & Parks Commission.

Recreation & Parks Commissioner Rebecca Carey expressed her support of the Leisure Needs Assessment and Action Plan.

Public Input
Laurie Tamura asked to present a couple of PowerPoint slides to the City Council noting that the Leisure Needs Assessment Report (LNAR) made no mention of the Capital budget for AB1600 fees, and how developers were a big part of the City's parks development program. The LNAR appeared to show that there were nc plans for future park development. She noted that each

project pays AB1600 fees or builds parks as a condition of approval. Her email requests that the City Council not adopt the LNAR without the analysis of AB1600 fees for future park development.

Action: Adopt a Resolution to receive and file the 2019 Leisure Needs Assessment and Action Plan.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Moats. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2020-01. 4-1. Noes: Councilmember Soto.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Stilwell announced that on January 10th at 10:00 a.m. at the Santa Maria Public Airport District there would be a press gathering to announce new flight services at the airport. He also reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be January 21, 2020. Items on the agenda would include recognition of Rotary Clubs and Elks Lodge for their support of the holiday Parade of Lights and holiday decorations, a presentation on the outcomes of the four community meetings held in each quadrant of the City, a report on the Fire Department's Standards of Cover assessment which provides a snapshot of services it currently provides and what services might be provided in the future.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)

Councilmember Soto had no reportable AB1234 items. She asked for information on facilitating City Council meetings and their discussions, along with the public's opportunity to speak and for how long.

Mayor Patino noted that it was her discretion to allot time for speakers, and when she recognizes a Councilmember for comments they would be given the opportunity to speak over those that were not recognized.

Councilmember Waterfield had no reportable AB1234 items. She announced that the Police Awards Ceremony would be on February 12th at the Elks Lodge at 11:30 a.m.

Councilmember Moats reported that he spoke on the Ben Heighes show for the last time as Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilmember Cordero reported that he attended the Community Meeting at St. Peter's Church, and the Safe Places ceremony at the Abel Maldonado Community Youth Center. He recognized Commissioners Henderson and Carey, and thanked the Recreation & Parks Commissioners and Planning Commissioners for all their hard work.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended the SBCAG Board of Directors meeting, the APCD Board meeting, the Southwest Community meeting, spoke on the Rick Blaemire show, attended the Central Coast Rescue Mission Christmas Banquet, the National Safe Places Network designation ceremony, spoke on the Ben Heighes show.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Approved at a regular meeting on January 21, 2020.

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

1/29/2020

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria